

REMARKS

By this Amendment, claims 12, 15, 24, 27, 30, 32, 35 and 36 have been amended, and claims 11, 14, 20, 23, 26, 29, 31, 33, 38-40, 42-43 and 46 have been cancelled. Accordingly, claims 3, 6-10, 12-13, 15-16, 24-25, 27-28, 30, 32 and 35-36 are pending in the present application.

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the indication of allowance of claims 3 and 6-10, and the indication of allowable subject matter in claims 12-13, 15-16, 24-25, 27-28, 30, 32 and 35-36. In response, Applicant has cancelled rejected claims 11, 14, 20, 23, 26, 29, 31, 33, 38-40, 42-43 and 46, and amended claims 12, 15, 24, 27, 30, 32, 35 and 36 to be in independent form. Accordingly, all art rejections have been rendered moot.

In view of the foregoing, favorable consideration of the amendments to claims 12, 15, 24, 27, 30, 32, 35 and 36, and allowance of the present application with claims 3, 6-10, 12-13, 15-16, 24-25, 27-28, 30, 32 and 35-36 is respectfully and earnestly solicited.

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